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The International Application Number and Title are incorrectly listed. The correct International Application Number and Title is as follows:

International Application Number: PCT/JP2004/003810

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Title: METHOD FOR PRODUCING HIGH SILICATE GLASS AND HIGH SILICATE

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METHOD

Process for producing high silicate glass and high silicate glass

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